SERIES II No.

Panaji, 29th May, 2003 (Jyaistha 8, 1925)

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GOVERNMENT OF GOA

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Department of Law & Judiciary Lagal Affairs Division

Notification

No. 10-4-99-LA (Vol. III)

The following Orders dated 28-7-2000; 27-7-2000; 31-7-2000; 12-9-2000; 13-9-2000; 16-11-2000; 30-11-2000; 20-12-2000; and 29-12-2000; received from the Government of India, Department of Mines, Under Rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956 are hereby published for general information of the public.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa. S.G. Marathe, Under Secretary (Drafting)
Panaji, 27 March, 2001.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

Ministry of Mines & Minerals

Department of Mines

The Controller of Mining Leases for India

Order

Case No. CML/Z-3/2000

[Under Rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956]

Whereas a case was registered for the modification of terms of a mining lease dated 9-4-1937 (T. No. 1/37) for Iron & Manganese held by M/s. Elray Minerals & Co., Vasco-da-Gama, Goa - 403 802 for permanent period, area 100.0000 hectares in Village(s) Sancordem, Taluka Sanguem, district South Goa of Goa State.

And whereas an enquiry has been made, as laid down in the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956.

- 2. It is hereby ordered under rule 6 of the aforesaid Rules that terms and conditions of the above lease shall stand modified as follows:-
 - (i) Area: The area of the lease is limited to 100.0000 hectares only.
 - (ii) Period: No change is made as the period of the lease(s) is already modified as per provisions of the Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.
 - (iii) The following clause shall be deemed to be inserted in the lease deed and shall form part thereof:-

"Except for the modifications made by this order, the lease shall be subject to the rules made or deemed to have been made under Sections 13 and 18 of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 (No. 67 of 1957)."

- 3. It is clarified that royalty and dead rent shall be payable in accordance with Section 9 and 9A of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 respectively instead of according to the stipulations in the lease deed.
- 4. It is further clarified that the lessee shall also pay, for the surface area used by him for the purposes of mining operations, surface rent at such rate, as may be specified by the State Government under the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960.
- 5. This order shall take effect from the date of this order.
- 6. It is ordered that this order be published in the Official Gazette of Goa State and copies thereof be sent to the lessee and the State Government.
 - C. P. Ambesh, Controller of Mining Leases for India.

 Nagpur, 27th July, 2000.

NOTE EMBODYING THE FACTS OF CASE, PLEAS OF THE PARTIES & REASONS FOR THE ORDER

Case No. CML/Z-3/2000

Name of the lessee : M/s. Elray Minerals & Co.,

Dealers in Mineral Ores, Melguides Building, Fr. Joseph Vaz Road, Vasco da Gama-403 802.

Date of the lease : 09-4-1937 (T. No. 1/37)

Mineral(s) : Iron/Manganese

Area and Location : 100.0000 hectares

Village : Sancordem Taluka: Sanguem Dist : South Goa, Goa

Period : Unlimited

Apart from the insertion of the general clause, the following was the proposal contained in the show cause notice(s) issued to the lessee for modification of the mining lease(s) referred to above:

Area: To be reduced to ten square kilometres as required under Section 6 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957.

Period: To be reduced to two years counting from the date of the modification order, passed under Rule 6 of Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956.

- 2. In pursuance of rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956, the show cause notice containing the proposals for modification of the above mentioned mining lease was sent to the lessee M/s. Elray Minerals & Co., Goa and the lessor the Government of Goa, calling upon them to show cause why such modifications/alterations should not be made in the mining lease deed dated 9-4-1937 held by the lessee.
- 3. The case was also taken up for hearing on 15-5-2000 at Goa for enabling both the parties to put forward their case.
- 4. At the time of hearing on 15-5-2000 at Goa, the lessee was represented by his Advocate/representative. The lessee has also submitted objections letter stating:
 - i) that the proposal to reduce the area of lease under Section 6(i) (b) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 is not possible which is likely to negate any decision that may be arrived by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the SLP filed by lessee wherein Ad interim order, passed on 2-3-98.
 - that the proposal to reduce the period to two years from the date of the modification order is

not possible as provided under Section 16(1A) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 since the period of the lease has already stand reduced to the extent of six months from the date of assent i. e. 23-5-87 under Section 5 of Goa, Daman & Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.

Further, the lessee has also submitted the following documents at the time of hearing

- i) information regarding lease(s) in the prescribed annexures I & II under Rules/Act.
- ii) affidavit(s) dated 20-5-2000 duly signed by the lessee/attorney to abide by the provisions of Mines & Minerals (R&D) Act, 1957, MCR, 1960 MCDR, 1988 and ML(MT) Rules, 1956 and other provisions applicable and as amended from time to time by the Central Government in respect of his aforesaid lease(s).

- 5. I have given my careful consideration to the above objections/plea advanced by the lessee and, in my view, they have got no force on the basis of my finding given hereunder:
 - i) that the contention of the lessee(s) is not maintainable that the modification of area is likely to negate the decision that may be arrived by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the SLP wherein Ad interim order was passed on 2-3-98. The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Ad interim order dated 2-3-98 has permitted the appellants to carry on mining operations and mining business in the mining area for which renewal applications have been made on the condition that the appellants shall pay to the respondents from the date of commencement of the impugned Act all the amount of dead rent, royalty as now stipulated by the respondents under the impugned Act without prejudice and under protest. The appellants will also comply with all other conditions. As regards the period from 1961 till the coming into force of the impugned Act, it will be opened to the respondents to take proceedings from assessment of the amount payable by the appellants but no recovery shall be made without further orders from the court. Thus, there is no restraint put by the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for control of modification of terms of the existing mining lease(s) to bring in conformity with the terms of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 and the rules made thereunder. Accordingly, the area may be modified without affecting the area under active mining operations.

- ii) that the contention of the lessee(s) is not maintainable that the provisions of Section 16 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 is inconsistent with the provisions of Section 5 of Goa. Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987, therefore, provisions of the Section 16 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 do not apply to the deemed lease(s) of Goa. The above Acts are consistent & Section 16 of Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 made applicable to all lease(s) of Goa State vide Government notification w.e.f. 15th January, 1966. However, the period of the lease(s) is not changed as the same is already modified as per the provisions of the Goa, Daman & Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.
- 6. As stated above, vide Government of Goa notifications dated 30th September 1963 and 4th January, 1966, the MM(R&D) Act, 1957 became applicable to Goa w. e. f. 1st October, 1963 and the Section 16 of the said Act was made applicable to Goa w. e. f. 15th January, 1966 which confers powers to CML for modification of mining lease(s) of Goa under Section 16 of the MM(R&D) Act, 1957. Keeping in view of the provisions of the Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957, Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987 and the rules made thereunder, modification of the lease(s) is made.

Order passed accordingly.

C. P. Ambesh, Controller of Mining Leases for India.

Nagpur, 27th July, 2000.

Order

Case No. CML/Z-654/2000

[Under Rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956]

Whereas a case was registered for the modification of terms of a mining lease dated 12-9-1958 (T. No.50/58) for Iron Ore held by Shri Mohanlal S. Rege, Goa, for permanent period, area 33.2500 hectares in Village(s) Collem, Taluka Sanguem, district South Goa of Goa State.

And whereas an enquiry has been made, as laid down in the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956.

2. It is hereby ordered under rule 6 of the aforesaid Rules that terms and conditions of the above lease shall stand modified as follows:-

- (i) Area: The area of the above lease is limited to 33.2500 hectares only.
- (ii) Period: No change is made as the period of lease(s) is already modified as per provisions of the Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.
- (iii) The following clause shall be deemed to be inserted in the lease deed and shall form part thereof:-

"Except for the modifications made by this order, the lease shall be subject to the rules made or deemed to have been made under Sections 13 and 18 of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 (No. 67 of 1957)".

- 3. It is clarified that royalty and dead rent shall be payable in accordance with Section 9 and 9A of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 respectively instead of according to the stipulations in the lease deed.
- 4. It is further clarified that the lessee shall also pay, for the surface area used by him for the purposes of mining operations, surface rent at such rate, as may be specified by the State Government under the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960.
- 5. This order shall take effect from the date of this order.
- 6. It is ordered that this order be published in the Official Gazette of Goa State and copies thereof be sent to the lessee and the State Government.
 - C. P. Ambesh, Controller of Mining Leases for India.

Nagpur, 27th July, 2000.

NOTE EMBODYING THE FACTS OF CASE, PLEAS OF THE PARTIES & REASONS FOR THE ORDER

Case No. CML/Z-654/2000

Name of the lessee : Shri M. S. Rege,

Mohankrupa, Deulmol, Kepem, Goa-403 705.

Date of the lease : 12-9-1958 (T. No. 50/58)

Mineral(s) : Iron ore

Area and Location : 33.2500 hectares

Village: Collem
Taluka: Sanguem
District: South Goa.

Period : Unlimited

Apart from the insertion of the general clause, the following was the proposal contained in the show cause notice(s) issued to the lessee for modification of the mining lease(s) referred to above:

(SUPPLEMENT)

Area: To be reduced to ten square kilometres as required under Section 6 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957.

Period: To be reduced to two years counting from the date of the modification order, passed under Rule 6 of Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956.

- 2. In pursuance of rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956, the show cause notice containing the proposals for modification of the above mentioned mining lease was sent to the lessee-M/s. Mohanlal S. Rege, Goa and the lessor-the Government of Goa, calling upon them to show cause why such modifications/alterations should not be made in the mining lease deed dated 12-9-1958 held by the lessee.
- 3. The case was also taken up for hearing on 26-6-2000 at Goa for enabling both the parties to put forward their case.
- 4. At the time of hearing on 26-6-2000 at Goa, the lessee was represented by his Advocate/representative. The lessee has also submitted objections letter stating:
 - i) that the proposal to reduce the area of lease under Section 6(i) (b) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 is not possible which is likely to negate any decision that may be arrived by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the SLP filed by lessee wherein Ad interim order, passed on 2-3-98.
 - ii) that the proposal to reduce the period to two years from the date of the modification order is not possible as provided under Section 16(1A) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 since the period of the lease has already stand reduced to the extent of six months from the date of assent i. e. 23-5-87 under Section 5 of Goa, Daman & Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration of Mining Leases) Act, 1987.

Further, the lessee has also submitted the following documents at the time of hearing:

- i) information regarding lease(s) in the prescribed annexures I & II under Rules/Act.
- ii) affidavit(s) dated 6-6-2000 duly signed by the lessee/attorney to abide by the provisions of Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957, Mineral Concession Rules, 1960, Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 1988 and Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956 and other provisions applicable and as amended from time to time by the Central Government in respect of his aforesaid lease(s).

- 5. I have given my careful consideration to the above objections/plea advanced by the lessee and, in my view, they have got no force on the basis of my finding given hereunder:
 - that the contention of the lessee(s) is not maintainable that the modification of area is likely to negate the decision that may be arrived by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the SLP wherein Ad interim order was passed on 2-3-98. The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Ad interim order dated 2-3-98 has permitted the appellants to carry on mining operations and mining business in the mining area for which renewal applications have been made on the condition that the appellants shall pay to the respondents from the date of commencement of the impugned Act all the amount of dead rent, royalty as now stipulated by the respondents under the impugned Act without prejudice and under protest. The appellants will also comply with all other conditions. As regards the period from 1961 till the coming into force of the impugned Act, it will be opened to the respondents to take proceedings from assessment of the amount payable by the appellants but no recovery shall be made without further orders from the court. Thus, there is no restraint put by the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for control of modification of terms of the existing mining lease(s) to bring in conformity with the terms of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 and the rules made thereunder. Accordingly, the area may be modified without affecting the area under active mining operations.
 - ii) that the contention of the lessee(s) is not maintainable that the provisions of Section 16 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 is inconsistent with the provisions of Section 5 of Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987, therefore, provisions of the Section 16 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 do not apply to the deemed lease(s) of Goa. The above Acts are consistent and Section 16 of Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 made applicable to all lease(s) of Goa State vide Government notification w.e.f. 15th January, 1966. However, the period of the lease(s) is not changed as the same is already modified as per the provisions of the Goa, Daman & Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.

6. As stated above, vide Government of Goa notifications dated 30th September, 1963 and 4th January 1966, the MM(R&D) Act, 1957 became applicable to Goa w. e. f. 1st October, 1963 and the Section 16 of the said Act was made applicable to Goa w. e. f. 15th January, 1966 which confers powers to CML for modification of mining lease(s) of Goa under Section 16 of the MM(R&D) Act, 1957. Keeping in view of the provisions of the Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957, Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition & Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987 and the rules made thereunder modification of the lease(s) is made.

Order passed accordingly.

C. P. Ambesh, Controller of Mining Leases for India. Nagpur, 27th July, 2000.

Order

Case No. CML/Z-361/2000

[Under Rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956]

Whereas two cases were registered for the modification of terms of (2) mining leases dated as per enclosed list for Iron & Manganese Ore held by M/s. Vinaeca Naraina Bandekar, Panjim, Goa for permanent period, area 102.7950 hectares in Village(s) as per enclosed list, district South Goa of Goa state.

And whereas an enquiry has been made, as laid down in the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956.

2. It is hereby ordered under rule 6 of the aforesaid Rules that terms and conditions of the above lease shall stand modified as follows:-

- (i) Area: The area of two leases as per list enclosed is limited to 102.7950 hectares only.
- (ii) Period: No change is made as the period of lease(s) is already modified as per provisions of the Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.
- (iii) The following clause shall be deemed to be inserted in the lease deed and shall form part thereof:-

"Except for the modifications made by this order, the lease shall be subject to the rules made or deemed to have been made under Sections 13 and 18 of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 (No. 67 of 1957)."

- 3. It is clarified that royalty and dead rent shall be payable in accordance with Section 9 and 9A of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 respectively instead of according to the stipulations in the lease deed.
- 4. It is further clarified that the lessee shall also pay, for the surface area used by him for the purposes of mining operations, surface rent at such rate, as may be specified by the State Government under the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960.
- 5. This order shall take effect from the date of this order.
- 6. It is ordered that this order be published in the Official Gazette of Goa State and copies thereof be sent to the lessee and the State Government.
 - C. P. Ambesh, Controller of Mining Leases for India.

 Nagpur, 27th July, 2000.

ANNEXURE

Details of Two (2) Mining Leases

Name of the Lessee &

: M/s. V. N. Bandekar, C/o P. O. Box 99,

Address

: Sesa Ghar, 2nd Floor, Entrance III,

Patto Plaza, Panaji, Goa.

Sr. No.	Case No.	Denomination of the Mine	Village/Taluka & District	Minerals	Number, Date & Title	Area
1	2	: 3	4	5	6	7 .
1.	Z-361	Curadee Potcalem	Vill. Sancordem, T. Sanguem, Distt. South Goa.	Fe/Mn	108 of 16-10-1953	32.8000
2.	Z-324	Dongor vado & Curdado	—do—	do	71 of 31-7-1953	69.9950
		·		# + 1 ×	TOTAL	 102.7950

NOTE EMBODYING THE FACTS OF CASE, PLEAS OF THE PARTIES & REASONS FOR THE ORDER

Case No. CML/Z-361/2000

Name of the lessee : M/s. V. N. Bandekar,

P. O. Box 99.

Sesa Ghar, 2nd Flóor, Entrance III

Patto Plaza, Panaji, Goa.

Date of the lease

Mineral(s)

As per list enclosed.

Area and Location

Period

: Unlimited

Apart from the insertion of the general clause, the following was the proposal contained in the show cause notice(s) issued to the lessee for modification of the mining lease(s) referred to above:

Area: To be reduced to ten square kilometres as required under Section 6 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957.

Period: To be reduced to two years counting from the date of the modification order, passed under Rule 6 of Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956.

- 2. In pursuance of rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956, the show cause notice containing the proposals for modification of the above mentioned mining lease was sent to the lessee -M/s. V. N. Bandekar, Panaji, Goa and the lessor - the Government of Goa, calling upon them to show cause why such modifications/alterations should not be made in the mining lease deed dated as per enclosed list held by the lessee.
- 3. The case was also taken up for hearing on 14-1-2000 & 21-2-2000 at Goa for enabling both the parties to put forward their case.
- 4. At the time of hearing on 14-1-2000 & 21-2-2000 at Goa, the lessee was represented by his Advocate/ /representative. The lessee has also submitted objections letter stating:
 - that the proposal to reduce the area of lease under Section 6(i) (b) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 is not possible which is likely to negate any decision that may be arrived by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the SLP filed by lessee wherein Ad interim order, passed on 2-3-98.
 - ii) that the proposal to reduce the period to two years from the date of the modification order is not possible as provided under Section 16(1A) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development)

Act, 1957 since the period of the lease has already stand reduced to the extent of six months from the date of assent i. e. 23-5-87 under Section 5 of Goa, Daman & Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.

Further, the lessee has also submitted the following documents at the time of hearing:

- information regarding lease(s) in the prescribed annexures I & II under Rules/Act.
- ii) affidavit(s) dated 26-5-2000 duly signed by the lessee/attorney to abide by the provisions of Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957, Mineral Concession Rules, 1960, Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 1988 and Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956 and other provisions applicable and as amended from time to time by the Central Government in respect of his aforesaid lease(s).

- 5. I have given my careful consideration to the above objections/plea advanced by the lessee and, in my view, they have got no force on the basis of my finding given hereunder:
 - that the contention of the lessee(s) is not maintainable that the modification of area is likely to negate the decision that may be arrived by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the SLP wherein Ad interim order was passed on 2-3-98. The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Ad interim order dated 2-3-98 has permitted the appellants to carry on mining operations and mining business in the mining area for which renewal applications have been made on the condition that the appellants shall pay to the respondents from the date of commencement of the impugned Act all the amount of dead rent, royalty as now stipulated by the respondents under the impugned Act without prejudice and under protest. The appellants will also comply with all other conditions. As regards the period from 1961 till the coming into force of the impugned Act, it will be opened to the respondents to take proceedings from assessment of the amount payable by the appellants but no recovery shall be made without further orders from the court. Thus, there is no restraint put by the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for control of modification of terms of the existing mining lease(s) to bring in conformity with the terms of Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 and the rules made thereunder. Accordingly, the area may be modified without affecting the area under active mining operations.

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- ii) that the contention of the lessee(s) is not maintainable that the provisions of Section 16 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 is inconsistent with the provisions of Section 5 of Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987, therefore, provisions of the Section 16 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 do not apply to the deemed lease(s) of Goa. The above Acts are consistent & Section 16 of Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 made applicable to all lease(s) of Goa State vide Government notification w.e.f. 15th January, 1966. However, the period of the lease(s) is not changed as the same is already modified as per the provisions of the Goa, Daman & Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.
- 6. As stated above, vide Government of Goa notifications dated 30th September, 1963 and 4th January, 1966, the MM(R&D) Act, 1957 became applicable to Goa w. e. f. 1st October, 1963 and the Section 16 of the said Act was made applicable to Goa w. e. f. 15th January, 1966 which confers powers to CML for modification of mining lease(s) of Goa under Section 16 of the MM(R&D) Act, 1957. Keeping in view of the provisions of the Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957, Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987 and the rules made thereunder modification of the lease(s) is made.

Order passed accordingly.

C. P. Ambesh, Controller of Mining Leases for India. Nagpur, 27th July, 2000.

Order

Case No. CML/Z-69/2000

[Under Rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956]

Whereas a case was registered for the modification of terms of a mining lease dated 16-6-1950 (30/50) for Iron ore held by Dr. Prafulla R. Hede, Panaji, Goa for permanent period, area 82.5229 hectares in Village(s) Collem, Tah. Sanguem, district South Goa of Goa State.

And whereas an enquiry has been made, as laid down in the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956.

- 2. It is hereby ordered under rule 6 of the aforesaid Rules that terms and conditions of the above lease shall stand modified as follows:-
 - (i) Area: The area of the lease is limited to 82.5229 hectares only.

- (ii) Period: No change is made as the period of the lease(s) is already modified as per provisions of the Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act. 1957.
- (iii) The following clause shall be deemed to be inserted in the lease deed and shall form part thereof:-

"Except for the modifications made by this order, the lease shall be subject to the rules made or deemed to have been made under Sections 13 and 18 of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 (No. 67 of 1957)."

- 3. It is clarified that royalty and dead rent shall be payable in accordance with Section 9 and 9A of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act. 1957 respectively instead of according to the stipulations in the lease deed.
- 4. It is further clarified that the lessee shall also pay, for the surface area used by him for the purposes of mining operations, surface rent at such rate, as may be specified by the State Government under the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960.
- 5. This order shall take effect from the date of this order.
- 6. It is ordered that this order be published in the Official Gazette of Goa State and copies thereof be sent to the lessee and the State Government.
 - C. P. Ambesh, Controller of Mining Leases for India.

Nagpur, 27th July, 2000.

NOTE EMBODYING THE FACTS OF CASE, PLEAS OF THE PARTIES & REASONS FOR THE ORDER

Case No. CML/Z-69/2000

Name of the lessee : Dr. Prafulla R. Hede,

Mine owner, Malbarao Building, 2nd Floor, Rua Ismael Gracias,

Panaji, Goa-403 001.

Date of the lease : 16-6-1950 (30/50)

Mineral(s) : Iron ore

Area and Location : 82.5229 hectares

Village : Collem . Tahsil: Sanguem District: South Goa.

: Unlimited Period

Apart from the insertion of the general clause, the following was the proposal contained in the show cause SERIES II No. 9

notice(s) issued to the lessee for modification of the mining lease(s) referred to above:

Area: To be reduced to ten square kilometres as required under Section 6 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957.

Period: To be reduced to two years counting from the date of the modification order, passed under Rule 6 of Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956.

- 2. In pursuance of rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956, the show cause notice containing the proposals for modification of the above mentioned mining lease was sent to the lessee Dr. Prafulla R. Hede, Panjim, Goa and the lessor the Government of Goa, calling upon them to show cause why such modifications/alterations should not be made in the mining lease deed dated 16-6-1950 held by the lessee.
- 3. The case was also taken up for hearing on 26-6-2000 at Goa for enabling both the parties to put forward their case.
- 4. At the time of hearing on 26-6-2000 at Goa, the lessee was represented by his Advocate/representative. The lessee has also submitted objections letter stating:
 - i) that the proposal to reduce the area of lease under Section 6(i) (b) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 is not possible which is likely to negate any decision that may be arrived by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the SLP filed by lessee wherein Ad interim order, passed on 2-3-98.
 - ii) that the proposal to reduce the period to two years from the date of the modification order is not possible as provided under Section 16(1A) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 since the period of the lease has already stand reduced to the extent of six months from the date of assent i. e. 23-5-87 under Section 5 of Goa, Daman & Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.

Further, the lessee has also submitted the following documents at the time of hearing:

- information regarding lease(s) in the prescribed annexures I & II under Rules/Act.
- ii) affidavit(s) dated 26-5-2000 duly signed by the lessee/attorney to abide by the provisions of Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957, Mineral Concession Rules, 1960, Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 1988 and Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956 and other provisions applicable and as amended from time to time by the Central Government in respect of his aforesaid lease(s).

- 5. I have given my careful consideration to the above objections/plea advanced by the lessee and, in my view, they have got no force on the basis of my finding given hereunder:
 - that the contention of the lessee(s) is not maintainable that the modification of area is likely to negate the decision that may be arrived by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the SLP wherein Ad interim order was passed on 2-3-98. The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Ad interim order dated 2-3-98 has permitted the appellants to carry on mining operations and mining business in the mining area for which renewal applications have been made on the condition that the appellants shall pay to the respondents from the date of commencement of the impugned Act all the amount of dead rent, royalty as now stipulated by the respondents under the impugned Act without prejudice and under protest. The appellants will also comply with all other conditions. As regards the period from 1961 till the coming into force of the impugned Act, it will be opened to the respondents to take proceedings from assessment of the amount payable by the appellants but no recovery shall be made without further orders from the court. Thus, there is no restraint put by the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for control of modification of terms of the existing mining lease(s) to bring in conformity with the terms of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 and the rules made thereunder. Accordingly, the area may be modified without affecting the area under active mining operations.
 - ii) that the contention of the lessee(s) is not maintainable that the provisions of Section 16 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 is inconsistent with the provisions of Section 5 of Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987, therefore, provisions of the Section 16 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 do not apply to the deemed lease(s) of Goa. The above Acts are consistent & Section 16 of Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 made applicable to all lease(s) of Goa State vide-Government notification w.e.f. 15th January, 1966. However, the period of the lease(s) is not changed as the same is already modified as per the provisions of the Goa, Daman & Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act. 1987.

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6. As stated above, vide Government of Goa notifications dated 30th September, 1963 and 4th January, 1966, the MM(R&D) Act, 1957 became applicable to Goa w. e. f. 1st October, 1963 and the Section 16 of the said Act was made applicable to Goa w. e. f. 15th January, 1966 which confers powers to CML for modification of mining lease(s) of Goa under Section 16 of the MM(R&D) Act, 1957. Keeping in view of the provisions of the Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957, Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987 and the rules made thereunder modification of the lease(s) is made.

Order passed accordingly.

C. P. Ambesh, Controller of Mining Leases for India.Nagpur, 27th July, 2000.

Order

Case No. CML/Z-617/2000

[Under Rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956]

Whereas a cases was registered for the modification of terms of (2) mining leases dated 24-2-1958 (13/58) for Iron ore held by Shri Manharlal Damodar Rajani, Panaji, Goa for permanent period, area 98,0930 hectares in Villages(s) Ladpem, Taluka Bicholim, district Goa of Goa State.

And whereas an enquiry has been made, as laid down in the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956.

- 2. It is hereby ordered under rule 6 of the aforesaid Rules that terms and conditions of the above leases shall stand modified as follows:-
 - (i) Area: The area of two (2) leases as per enclosed list is limited to 98.0930 hectares only.
 - (ii) Period: No change is made as the period of lease(s) is already modified as per provisions of the Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.
 - (iii) The following clause shall be deemed to be inserted in the lease deed and shall form part thereof:-

"Except for the modifications made by this order, the lease shall be subject to the rules made or deemed to have been made under Sections 13 and 18 of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 (No. 67 of 1957)."

3. It is clarified that royalty and dead rent shall be payable in accordance with Section 9 and 9A of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 respectively instead of according to the stipulations in the lease deed.

- 4. It is further clarified that the lessee shall also pay, for the surface area used by him for the purposes of mining operations, surface rent at such rate, as may be specified by the State Government under the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960.
- 5. This order shall take effect from the date of this order.
- 6. It is ordered that this order be published in the Official Gazette of Goa State and copies thereof be sent to the lessee and the State Government.
 - C. P. Ambesh, Controller of Mining Leases for India.

Nagpur, 27th July, 2000.

NOTE EMBODYING THE FACTS OF CASE, PLEAS OF THE PARTIES & REASONS FOR THE ORDER

Case No. CML/Z-617/2000

Name of the lessee : Shri Manharlal Damodar Rajani,

C/o. Damodar Mangalji & Co. Ltd.,

Damodar Niwas, M. G. Road,

Panaji, Goa.

Date of the lease : 24-2-1958 (13/58)

Mineral(s)

: Iron ore

Area and Location : 9

: 98,0930 Hectares.

Village: Ladpem Taluka: Bicholim

District : Goa

Period

: Unlimited

Apart from the insertion of the general clause, the following was the proposal contained in the show cause notice(s) issued to the lessee for modification of the mining lease(s) referred to above:

Area: To be reduced to ten square kilometres as required under Section 6 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957.

Period: To be reduced to two years counting from the date of the modification order, passed under Rule 6 of Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956.

- 2. In pursuance of rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956, the show cause notice containing the proposals for modification of the above mentioned mining lease was sent to the lessee Shri Manharlal Damodar Rajani, Panaji, Goa and the lessor the Government of Goa, calling upon them to show cause why such modifications/alterations should not be made in the mining lease deed dated 24-2-1958 held by the lessee.
- 3. The case was also taken up for hearing on 26-6-2000 at Goa for enabling both the parties to put forward their case.

- 4. At the time of hearing on 26-6-2000 at Goa, the lessee was represented by his Advocate/representative. The lessee has also submitted objections letter stating:
 - i) that the proposal to reduce the area of lease under Section 6 (i) (b) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 is not possible which is likely to negate any decision that may be arrived by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the SLP filed by lessee wherein Ad interim order, passed on 2-3-98.
 - ii) that the proposal to reduce the period to two years from the date of the modification order is not possible as provided under Section 16(1A) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 since the period of the lease has already stand reduced to the extent of six months from the date of assent i. e. 23-5-87 under Section 5 of Goa, Daman & Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.

Further, the lessee has also submitted the following documents at the time of hearing.

- i) information regarding lease(s) in the prescribed annexures I & II under Rules/Act.
- ii) affidavit(s) dated 15-5-2000 duly signed by the lessee/attorney to abide by the provisions of Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957, Mineral Concession Rules, 1960, Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 1988 and Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956 and other provisions applicable and as amended from time to time by the Central Government in respect of his aforesaid lease(s).

However, no representative of State Government (Lessor) was present on the date of hearing.

- 5. I have given my careful consideration to the above objections/plea advanced by the lessee and, in my view, they have got no force on the basis of my finding given hereunder:
 - ii) that the contention of the lessee(s) is not maintainable that the modification of area is likely to negate the decision that may be arrived by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the SLP wherein Ad interim order was passed on 2-3-98. The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Ad interim order dated 2-3-98 has permitted the appellants to carry on mining operations and mining business in the mining area for which renewal applications have been made on the condition that the appellants shall pay to the respondents from the date of commencement of the impugned Act all the amount of dead rent, royalty as now

- stipulated by the respondents under the impugned Act without prejudice and under protest. The appellants will also comply with all other conditions. As regards the period from 1961 till the coming into force of the impugned Act, it will be opened to the respondents to take proceedings from assessment of the amount payable by the appellants but no recovery shall be made without further orders from the court. Thus, there is no restraint put by the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for control of modification of terms of the existing mining lease(s) to bring in conformity with the terms of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 and the rules made thereunder. Accordingly, the area may be modified without affecting the area under active mining operations.
- ii) that the contention of the lessee(s) is not maintainable that the provisions of Section 16 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 is inconsistent with the provisions of Section 5 of Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987, therefore, provisions of the Section 16 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 do not apply to the deemed lease(s) of Goa. The above Acts are consistent & Section 16 of Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 made applicable to all lease(s) of Goa State vide Government notification w.e.f. 15th January, 1966. However, the period of the lease(s) is not changed as the same is already modified as per the provisions of the Goa, Daman & Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.
- 6. As stated above, vide Government of Goa notifications dated 30th September, 1963 and 4th January, 1966, the MM(R&D) Act, 1957 became applicable to Goa w. e. f. 1st October, 1963 and the Section 16 of the said Act, was made applicable to Goa w. e. f. 15th January, 1966 which confers powers to CML for modification of mining lease(s) of Goa under Section 16 of the MM(R&D) Act, 1957. Keeping in view of the provisions of the Mines and Minerals (Regulations & Development) Act, 1957, Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987 and the rules made thereunder modification of the lease(s) is made.

Order passed accordingly.

C. P. Ambesh, Controller of Mining Leases for India.

Nagpur, 27th July, 2000.

Order

Case No. CML/Z-27/2000

[Under Rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956]

Whereas a case was registered for the modification of terms of a mining lease dated 11-7-1949 (6/49) for Fe/Mn held by Shri Hiralal Khodidas, Curchorem, Goa for permanent period, area 70.1870 hectares in Village Colomba, Taluka Sanguem, District South Goa of Goa State.

And whereas an enquiry has been made, as laid down in the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956.

- 2. It is hereby ordered under rule 6 of the aforesaid Rules that terms and conditions of the above lease shall stand modified as follows:-
 - (i) Area: The area of the lease is limited to 70.1870 hectrs.
 - (ii) Period: No change is made as the period of the lease(s) is already modified as per the provisions of the Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.
 - (iii) The following clause shall be deemed to be inserted in the lease deed and shall form part thereof:-

"Except for the modifications made by this order, the lease shall be subject to the rules made or deemed to have been made under Sections 13 and 18 of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 (No. 67 of 1957)."

- 3. It is clarified that royalty and dead rent shall be payable in accordance with Section 9 and 9A of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 respectively instead of according to the stipulations in the lease deed.
- 4. It is further clarified that the lessee shall also pay, for the surface area used by him for the purposes of mining operations, surface rent at such rate, as may be specified by the State Government under the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960.
- 5. This order shall take effect from the date of this order.
- 6. It is ordered that this order be published in the Official Gazette of Goa State and copies thereof be sent to the lessee and the State Government.
 - C. P. Ambesh, Controller of Mining Leases for India.

Nagpur, dated 28th July, 2000.

NOTE EMBODYING THE FACTS OF CASE, PLEAS OF THE PARTIES & REASONS FOR THE ORDER

Case No. CML-Z-27/2000

Name of the lessee : Shri Hiralal Khodidas,

Curchorem, Goa.

Date of the lease

: 11-7-1949 (6/49)

Mineral(s)

: Fe/Mn

Area and Location

: 70.1870 hectrs.
Village: Colomba
Taluka: Sanguem,
District: South Goa,

State Goa

Period

: Unlimited

Apart from the insertion of the general clause, the following was the proposal contained in the show cause notice(s) issued to the lessee for modification of the mining lease(s) referred to above:

Area: To be reduced to ten square kilometres as required under Section 6 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957.

Period: To be reduced to two years counting from the date of the modification order, passed under Rule 6 of Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956.

- 2. In pursuance of rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956, the show cause notice containing the proposals for modification of the above mentioned mining lease was sent to the lessee—Shri Hiralal Khodidas, Curchorem, Goa and lessor the Government of Goa, calling upon them to show cause why such modifications/alterations should not be made in the mining lease deed dated 11-07-1949 held by the lessee.
- 3. The case was also taken up for hearing on 26-6-2000 at Goa for enabling both the parties to put forward their case.
- 4. At the time of hearing on 26-6-2000 at Goa, the lessee was represented by his Advocate/representative. The lessee has also submitted objections letter stating:
 - i) that the proposal to reduce the area of lease under Section 6(i) (b) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 is not possible which is likely to negate any decision that may be arrived by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the SLP filed by lessee wherein Ad interim order, passed on 2-3-98.
 - that the proposal to reduce the period to two years from the date of the modification order is not possible as provided under Section 16(1A) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development)

Act, 1957 since the period of the lease has already stand reduced to the extent of six months from the date of assent i. e. 23-5-87 under Section 5 of Goa, Daman & Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.

Further, the lessee has also submitted the following documents at the time of hearing:

- i) information regarding lease(s) in the prescribed Annexures I & II under Rules/Act.
- ii) affidavit(s) dated 16-5-2000 duly signed by the lessee/attorney to abide by the provisions of Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957, Mineral Concession Rules, 1960, Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 1988 and Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956 and other provisions applicable and as amended from time to time by the Central Government in respect of his aforesaid lease(s).

However, no representative of State Government (Lessor) was present on the date of hearing.

- 5. I have given my careful consideration to the above objections/plea advanced by the lessee and, in my view, they have got no force on the basis of my finding given hereunder:
 - that the contention of the lessee(s) is not maintainable that the modification of area is likely to negate the decision that may be arrived by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the SLP wherein Ad interim order was passed on 2-3-98. The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Ad interim order dated 2-3-98 has permitted the appellants to carry on mining operations and mining business in the mining area for which renewal applications have been made on the condition that the appellants shall pay to the respondents from the date of commencement of the impugned Act all the amount of dead rent, royalty as now stipulated by the respondents under the impugned Act without prejudice and under protest. The appellants will also comply with all other conditions. As regards the period from 1961 till the coming into force of the impugned Act, it will be opened to the respondents to take proceedings from assessment of the amount payable by the appellants but no recovery shall be made without further orders from the court. Thus, there is no restraint put by the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for control of modification of terms of the existing mining lease(s) to bring in conformity with the terms of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 and the rules made thereunder. Accordingly, the area may be modified without affecting the area under active mining operations.
 - ii) that the contention of the lessee(s) is not maintainable that the provisions of Section 16 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development)

Act, 1957 is inconsistent with the provisions of Section 5 of Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987, therefore, provisions of the Section 16 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 do not apply to the deemed lease(s) of Goa. The above Acts are consistent & Section 16 of Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 made applicable to all lease(s) of Goa State vide Government notification w.e.f. 15th January, 1966. However, the period of the lease(s) is not changed as the same is already modified as per the provisions of the Goa, Daman & Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.

6. As stated above, vide Government of Goa notifications dated 30th September, 1963 and 4th January, 1966, the Mines' & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 became applicable to Goa w.e.f. 1st October, 1963 and the Section 16 of the said Act was made applicable to Goa w.e.f. 15th January, 1966 which confers powers to Controller of Mining Leases for modification of mining lease(s) of Goa under Section 16 of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957. Keeping in view of the provisions of the Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957, Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987 and the rules made thereunder, modification of the lease(s) is made.

Order passed accordingly.

C. P. Ambesh, Controller of Mining Leases for India. Nagpur, dated 28th July, 2000.

Order

Case No. CML-Z-149/2000

[Under Rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956]

Whereas a case was registered for the modification of terms of a mining lease dated 17-12-1951 (70/51) for Iron ore held by M/s. R. S. Shetye & Bros., Panaji-Goa for permanent period, area 99.4700 hectares in Village(s) Pissurlem, Taluka Satari, District Goa of Goa, State.

And whereas an enquiry has been made, as laid down in the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956.

- 2. It is hereby ordered under rule 6 of the aforesaid Rules that terms and conditions of the above lease shall stand modified as follows:-
 - (i) Area: The area of the lease is limited to 99.4700 hectares only.

- (ii) Period: No change is made as the period of the lease(s) is already modified as per provisions of the Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.
- (iii) The following clause shall be deemed to be inserted in the lease deed and shall form part thereof:-

"Except for the modifications made by this order, the lease shall be subject to the rules made or deemed to have been made under Sections 13 and 18 of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 (No. 67 of 1957)."

- 3. It is clarified that royalty and dead rent shall be payable in accordance with Section 9 and 9A of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 respectively instead of according to the stipulations in the lease deed.
- 4. It is further clarified that the lessee shall also pay, for the surface area used by him for the purposes of mining operations, surface rent at such rate, as may be specified by the State Government under the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960.
- 5. This order shall take effect from the date of this order.
- 6. It is ordered that this order be published in the Official Gazette of Goa State and copies thereof be sent to the lessee and the State Government.
 - C. P. Ambesh, Controller of Mining Leases for India.

 Nagpur, dated 28th July, 2000.

NOTE EMBODYING THE FACTS OF CASE, PLEAS OF THE PARTIES & REASONS FOR THE ORDER

Case No. CML-Z-149/2000

Name of the lessee : M/s. R. S. Shetye & Bros.,

G-4, Annapurna Apts., Near Gomantak Press,

St. Inez, Panaji, Goa-403001.

Date of the lease : 17-12-1951 (70/51)

Mineral(s) : Iron ore

Area and Location : 99.4700 hectrs.

Village: Pissurlem, Taluka: Satari, Goa

Period : Unlimited

Apart from the insertion of the general clause, the following was the proposal contained in the show cause notice(s) issued to the lessee for modification of the mining lease(s) referred to above:

Area: To be reduced to ten square kilometres as required under Section 6 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957.

Period: To be reduced to two years counting from the date of the modification order, passed under Rule 6 of Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956.

- 2. In pursuance of rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956, the show cause notice containing the proposals for modification of the above mentioned mining lease was sent to the lessee—M/s. R. S. Shetye & Bros., Panaji, Goa and lessor the Government of Goa, calling upon them to show cause why such modifications/alterations should not be made in the mining lease deed dated 17-12-1951 held by the lessee.
- 3. The case was also taken up for hearing on 26-6-2000 at Goa for enabling both the parties to put forward their case.
- 4. At the time of hearing on 26-6-2000 at Goa, the lessee was represented by his Advocate/representative. The lessee has submitted objections letter stating:
 - i) that the proposal to reduce the area of lease under Section 6(i) (b) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 is not possible which is likely to negate any decision that may be arrived by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the SLP filed by lessee wherein Ad interim order, passed on 2-3-98.
 - ii) that the proposal to reduce the period to two years from the date of the modification order is not possible as provided under Section 16(1A) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 since the period of the lease has already stand reduced to the extent of six months from the date of assent i. e. 23-5-87 under Section 5 of Goa, Daman & Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.

Further, the lessee has also submitted the following documents at the time of hearing:

- i) information regarding lease(s) in the prescribed Annexures I & II under Rules/Act.
- ii) affidavit(s) dated 16-6-2000 duly signed by the lessee/attorney to abide by the provisions of Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957, Mineral Concession Rules, 1960, Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 1988 and Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956 and other provisions applicable and as amended from time to time by the Central Government in respect of his aforesaid lease(s).

- 5. I have given my careful consideration to the above objections/plea advanced by the lessee and, in my view, they have got no force on the basis of my finding given hereunder:
 - i) that the contention of the lessee(s) is not maintainable that the modification of area is likely to negate the decision that may be arrived by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the SLP wherein Ad interim order was passed on 2-3-98. The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Ad interim order dated 2-3-98 has permitted the appellants to carry on mining operations and mining business in the mining area for which renewal applications have been made on the condition that the appellants shall pay to the respondents from the date of commencement of the impugned Act all the amount of dead rent, royalty as now stipulated by the respondents under the impugned Act without prejudice and under protest. The appellants will also comply with all other conditions. As regards the period from 1961 till the coming into force of the impugned Act, it will be opened to the respondents to take proceedings from assessment of the amount payable by the appellants but no recovery shall be made without further order from the court. Thus, there is no restraint put by the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for control of modification of terms of the existing mining lease(s) to bring in conformity with the terms of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development Act, 1957 and the rules made thereunder. Accordingly, the area may be modified without affecting the area under active mining operations.
 - ii) that the contention of the lessee(s) is not maintainable that the provisions of Section 16 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 is inconsistent with the provisions of Section 5 of Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987, therefore, provisions of the Section 16 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 do not apply to the deemed lease(s) of Goa. The above Acts are consistent & Section 16 of Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 made applicable to all lease(s) of Goa State vide Government notification w.e.f. 15th January 1966. However, the period of the lease(s) is not changed as the same is already modified as per the provisions of the Goa, Daman & Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.
- 6. As stated above, vide Government of Goa notifications dated 30th September 1963 and 4th January 1966, the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 became applicable to Goa w.e.f. 1st October 1963 and the Section 16 of the said Act was made applicable to Goa w.e.f. 15th January 1966 which confers powers to Controller of Mining Leases for

modification of mining lease(s) of Goa under Section 16 of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957. Keeping in view of the provisions of the Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957, Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987 and the rules made thereunder, modification of the lease(s) is made.

Order Passed Accordingly.

C. P. Ambesh, Controller of Mining Leases for India.Nagpur, dated 28th July, 2000.

Order

Case No. CML-Z-23/2000

[Under Rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956]

Whereas a case was registered for the modification of terms of a mining lease dated 24-4-1949 (2/49) for Fe//Mn. held by M/s. National Agency, Margao, Goa for permanent period, area 93.7677 hectares in Village(s) Verlem, Taluka Sanguem, District South Goa of Goa State.

And whereas an enquiry has been made, as laid down in the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956.

- 2. It is hereby ordered under rule 6 of the aforesaid Rules that terms and conditions of the above lease shall stand modified as follows:-
 - (i) Area: The area of the lease is limited to 93.7677 hects. only.
 - (ii) Period: No change is made as the period of the lease(s) is already modified as per provisions of the Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.
 - (iii) The following clause shall be deemed to be inserted in the lease deed and shall form part thereof-
 - "Except for the modifications made by this order, the lease shall be subject to the rules made or deemed to have been made under Sections 13 and 18 of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 (No. 67 of 1957)."
- 3. It is clarified that royalty and dead rent shall be payable in accordance with Section 9 and 9A of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 respectively instead of according to the stipulations in the lease deed.
- 4. It is further clarified that the lessee shall also pay, for the surface area used by him for the purposes of mining operations, surface rent at such rate, as may be specified by the State Government under the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960.

- 5. This order shall take effect from the date of this order.
- 6. It is ordered that this order be published in the Official Gazette of Goa State and copies thereof be sent to the lessee and the State Government.
 - C. P. Ambesh, Controller of Mining Leases for India.

Nagpur, dated 28th July, 2000.

NOTE EMBODYING THE FACTS OF CASE, PLEAS OF THE PARTIES & REASONS FOR THE ORDER

Case No. CML-Z-23/2000

Name of the lessee : M/s. National Agency,

Behind Municipality.

PO. Box 270, Margao, Goa.

Date of the lease

: 24-04-1949 (2/49)

Mineral(s)

: Fe/Mn.

Area and Location: 93.7677 hectrs.

Village: Verlem, Taluka: Sanguem,

District: South Goa.

Period

Unlimited

Apart from the insertion of the general clause, the following was the proposal contained in the show cause notice(s) issued to the lessee for modification of the mining lease(s) referred to above:

> Area: To be reduced to ten square kilometres as required under Section 6 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957.

> Period: To be reduced to two years counting from the date of the modification order, passed under Rule 6 of Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956.

- 2. In pursuance of rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956, the show cause notice containing the proposals for modification of the above mentioned mining lease was sent to the lessee-M/s. National Agency, Margao, Goa and the lessor the Government of Goa, calling upon them to show cause why such modifications/alterations should not be made in the mining lease deed dated 24-4-1949 held by the lessee.
- 3. The case was also taken up for hearing on 26-6-2000 at Goa for enabling both the parties to put forward their case.
- 4. At the time of hearing on 26-6-2000 at Goa, the lessee was represented by his Advocate/representative. The lessee has also submitted objections letter stating:

- that the proposal to reduce the area of lease under Section 6(i) (b) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 is not possible which is likely to negate any decision that may be arrived by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the SLP filed by lessee wherein Ad interim order, passed on 2-3-98.
- that the proposal to reduce the period to two years from the date of the modification order is not possible as provided under Section 16(1A) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 since the period of the lease has already stand reduced to the extent of six months from the date of assent i. e. 23-5-87 under Section 5 of Goa, Daman & Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.

Further, the lessee has also submitted the following documents at the time of hearing:

- i) information regarding lease(s) in the prescribed Annexures I & II under Rules/Act.
- ii) affidavit(s) dated 22-5-2000 duly signed by the lessee/attorney to abide by the provisions of Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development)
- Act, 1957, Mineral Concession Rules, 1960, Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 1988 and Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956 and other provisions applicable and as amended from time to time by the Central Government in respect of his aforesaid lease(s).

- 5. I have given my careful consideration to the above objections/plea advanced by the lessee and, in my view, they have got no force on the basis of my finding given hereunder:
 - that the contention of the lessee(s) is not maintainable that the modification of area is likely to negate the decision that may be arrived by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the SLP wherein Ad interim order was passed on 2-3-98. The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Ad interim order dated 2-3-98 has permitted the appellants to carry on mining operations and mining business in the mining area for which renewal applications have been made on the condition that the appellants shall pay to the respondents from the date of commencement of the impugned Act all the amount of dead rent, royalty as now stipulated by the respondents under the impugned Act without prejudice and under protest. The appellants will also comply with all other conditions. As regards the period from 1961 till the coming into force of the impugned Act, it will be opened to the respondents to take proceedings from assessment of the amount payable by the appellants but no recovery shall be made without further order from the court. Thus, there is no restraint put by the order of the

Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for control of modification of terms of the existing mining lease(s) to bring in conformity with the terms of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development Act, 1957 and the rules made thereunder. Accordingly, the area may be modified without affecting the area under active mining operations.

- ii) that the contention of the lessee(s) is not maintainable that the provisions of Section 16 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 is inconsistent with the provisions of Section 5 of Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987, therefore, provisions of the Section 16 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 do not apply to the deemed lease(s) of Goa. The above Acts are consistent & Section 16 of Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 made applicable to all lease(s) of Goa State vide Government notification w.e.f. 15th January, 1966. However, the period of the lease(s) is not changed as the same is already modified as per the provisions of the Goa, Daman & Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.
- 6. As stated above, vide Government of Goa notifications dated 30th September, 1963 and 4th January, 1966, the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 became applicable to Goa w.e.f. 1st October, 1963 and the Section 16 of the said Act was made applicable to Goa w.e.f. 15th January, 1966 which confers powers to Controller of Mining Leases for modification of mining lease(s) of Goa under Section 16 of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957. Keeping in view of the provisions of the Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957, Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987 and the rules made thereunder, modification of the lease(s) is made.

Order passed accordingly.

C. P. Ambesh, Controller of Mining Leases for India.

Nagpur, dated 28th July, 2000.

Order

Case No. CML-Z-406/2000

[Under Rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956]

Whereas a case was registered for the modification of terms of a mining lease dated 5-2-1952 (8/54) for Iron ore held by Shri Jeevan Raia Porob Bhaticar, Curchorem, Goa for permanent period, area 43.2000 hectares in Village(s) Mangal, Taluka Quepem, District South Goa of Goa State.

And whereas an enquiry has been made, as laid down in the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956.

- 2. It is hereby ordered under rule 6 of the aforesaid Rules that terms and conditions of the above lease shall stand modified as follows:-
 - (i) Area: The area of the lease is limited to 43.2000 hectrs. only.
 - (ii) Period: No change is made as the period of the lease(s) is already modified as per provisions of the Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.
 - (iii) The following clause shall be deemed to be inserted in the lease deed and shall form part thereof:-

"Except for the modifications made by this order, the lease shall be subject to the rules made or deemed to have been made under Sections 13 and 18 of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 (No. 67 of 1957)."

- 3. It is clarified that rayalty and dead rent shall be payable in accordance with Section 9 and 9A of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 respectively instead of according to the stipulations in the lease deed.
- 4. It is further clarified that the lessee shall also pay, for the surface area used by him for the purposes of mining operations, surface rent at such rate, as may be specified by the State Government under the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960.
- 5. This order shall take effect from the date of this
- 6. It is ordered that this order be published in the Official Gazette of Goa State and copies thereof be sent to the lessee and the State Government.
 - C. P. Ambesh, Controller of Mining Leases for India. Nagpur, dated 28th July, 2000.

NOTE EMBODYING THE FACTS OF CASE, PLEAS OF THE PARTIES & REASONS FOR THE ORDER

Case No. CML-Z-406/2000

Name of the lessee : Shri Jeevan Raia Porob

Bhaticar.

C/o Shri P. M. Bhende, Above Post Office, Curchorem, Goa-403706. Date of the lease

: 5-2-1954 (8/54)

Mineral(s)

: Iron ore

Area and Location : 43.2000 hectrs.

43.2000 nectrs.
Village: Mangal
Taluka: Quepem
District: South Goa.

Period

: Unlimited

Apart from the insertion of the general clause, the following was the proposal contained in the show cause notice(s) issued to the lessee for modification of the mining lease(s) referred to above:

Area: To be reduced to ten square kilometres as required under Section 6 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957.

Period: To be reduced to two years counting from the date of the modification order, passed under Rule 6 of Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956.

- 2. In pursuance of rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956, the show cause notice containing the proposals for modification of the above mentioned mining lease was sent to the lessee—Jeevan Raia Porob Bhaticar, Curchorem-Goa and the lessor the Government of Goa, calling upon them to show cause why such modifications/alterations should not be made in the mining lease deed dated 5-2-1954 held by the lessee.
- 3. The case was also taken up for hearing on 26-6-2000 at Goa for enabling both the parties to put forward their case.
- 4. At the time of hearing on 26-6-2000 at Goa, the lessee was represented by his Advocate/representative. The lessee has submitted objections letter stating:
 - i) that the proposal to reduce the area of lease under Section 6(i) (b) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 is not possible which is likely to negate any decision that may be arrived by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the SLP filed by lessee wherein Ad interim order, passed on 2-3-98.
 - ii) that the proposal to reduce the period to two years from the date of the modification order is not possible as provided under Section 16(1A) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 since the period of the lease has already stand reduced to the extent of six months from the date of assent i. e. 23-5-87 under Section 5 of Goa, Daman & Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.

Further, the lessee has also submitted the following documents at the time of hearing:

 i) information regarding lease(s) in the prescribed Annexures I & II under Rules/Act. ii) affidavit(s) dated 24-6-2000 duly signed by the lessee/attorney to abide by the provisions of Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957, Mineral Concession Rules, 1960, Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 1988 and Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956 and other provisions applicable and as amended from time to time by the Central Government in respect of his aforesaid lease(s).

- 5. I have given my careful consideration to the above objections/plea advanced by the lessee and, in my view, they have got no force on the basis of my finding given hereunder:
 - that the contention of the lessee(s) is not maintainable that the modification of area is likely to negate the decision that may be arrived by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the SLP wherein Ad interim order was passed on 2-3-98. The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Ad interim order dated 2-3-98 has permitted the appellants to carry on mining operations and mining business in the mining area for which renewal applications have been made on the condition that the appellants shall pay to the respondents from the date of commencement of the impugned Act all the amount of dead rent, royalty as now stipulated by the respondents under the impugned Act without prejudice and under protest. The appellants will also comply with all other conditions. As regards the period from 1961 till the coming into force of the impugned Act, it will be opened to the respondents to take proceedings from assessment of the amount payable by the appellants but no recovery shall be made without further order from the court. Thus, there is no restraint put by the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for control of modification of terms of the existing mining lease(s) to bring in conformity with the terms of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 and the rules made thereunder. Accordingly, the area may be modified without affecting the area under active mining operations.
 - ii) that the contention of the lessee(s) is not maintainable that the provisions of Section 16 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 is inconsistent with the provisions of Section 5 of Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987, therefore, provisions of the Section 16 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 do not apply to the deemed lease(s) of Goa. The above Acts are consistent & Section 16 of Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 made applicable to all lease(s) of Goa State vide Government notification w.e.f. 15th January, 1966. However, the period of the lease(s) is not changed

as the same is already modified as per the provisions of the Goa, Daman & Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.

6. As stated above, vide Government of Goa notifications dated 30th September, 1963 and 4th January, 1966, the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 became applicable to Goa w.e.f. 1st October, 1963 and the Section 16 of the said Act was made applicable to Goa w.e.f. 15th January, 1966 which confers powers to Controller of Mining Leases for modification of mining lease(s) of Goa under Section 16 of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957. Keeping in view of the provisions of the Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957, Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987 and the rules made thereunder, modification of the lease(s) is made.

Order passed accordingly.

C. P. Ambesh, Controller of Mining Leases for India. Nagpur, dated 28th July, 2000.

Order

Case No. CML-Z-236/2000

[Under Rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956]

Whereas a case was registered for the modification of terms of a mining lease dated 10-10-1952 (86/52) for Fe/Mn held by Shri Ravindra Vishnu Sinai Kudchadkar, Goa for permanent period for area 95.4900 hectares in Village(s) Colomb, Taluka Sanguem, District South Goa of Goa State.

And whereas an enquiry has been made, as laid down in the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956.

- 2. It is hereby ordered under rule 6 of the aforesaid Rules that terms and conditions of the above lease shall stand modified as follows:-
 - (i) Area: The area of the lease is limited to 95.4900 hectrs. only.
 - (ii) Period: No change is made as the period of the lease(s) is already modified as per provisions of the Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.
 - (iii) The following clause shall be deemed to be inserted in the lease deed and shall form part thereof:-

"Except for the modifications made by this order, the lease shall be subject to the rules made or deemed to have been made under Sections 13 and 18 of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 (No. 67 of 1957)."

- 3. It is clarified that royalty and dead rent shall be payable in accordance with Section 9 and 9A of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 respectively instead of according to the stipulations in the lease deed.
- 4. It is further clarified that the lessee shall also pay, for the surface area used by him for the purposes of mining operations, surface rent at such rate, as may be specified by the State Government under the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960.
- 5. This order shall take offect from the date of this order.
- 6. It is ordered that this order be published in the Official Gazette of Goa State and copies thereof be sent to the lessee and the State Government.
 - C. P. Ambesh, Controller of Mining Leases for India. Nagpur, dated 28th July, 2000.

NOTE EMBODYING THE FACTS OF CASE, PLEAS OF THE PARTIES & REASONS FOR THE ORDER

Case No. CML-Z-236/2000

Name of the lessee : Shri Ravindra Vishnu Sinai

Kudchadkar,

Near Canara Bank, Chandor, Goa-403714.

Date of the lease

: 10-10-1952 (86/52)

Mineral(s)

: Fe/Mn

Area and Location : 95.4900 hectrs.

Village: Colomb
Taluka: Sanguem
District: South Goa.

Period

: Unlimited

Apart from the insertion of the general clause, the following was the proposal contained in the show cause notice(s) issued to the lessee for modification of the mining lease(s) referred to above:

Area: To be reduced to ten square kilometres as required under Section 6 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act 1957.

Period: To be reduced to two years counting from the date of the modification order, passed under Rule 6 of Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956.

2. In pursuance of rule 6 of the Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956, the show cause notice containing the proposals for modification of the above mentioned mining lease was sent to the lessee–Ravindra Vishnu Sinai Kudchadkar, Goa and lessor the Government of Goa, calling upon them to show cause why such modifications/alterations should not be made in the mining lease deed dated 10-10-1952 held by the lessee.

- 3. The case was also taken up for hearing on 26-6-2000 at Goa for enabling both the parties to put forward their case.
- 4. At the time of hearing on 26-6-2000 at Goa, the lessee was represented by his Advocate/representative. The lessee has also submitted objections letter stating:
 - i) that the proposal to reduce the area of lease under Section 6(i) (b) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 is not possible which is likely to negate any decision that may be arrived by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the SLP filed by lessee wherein Ad interim order, passed on 2-3-98.
 - ii) that the proposal to reduce the period to two years from the date of the modification order is not possible as provided under Section 16(1A) of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 since the period of the lease has already stand reduced to the extent of six months from the date of assent i. e. 23-5-87 under Section 5 of Goa, Daman & Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.
 - Further, the lessee has also submitted the following documents at the time of hearing:
 - i) information regarding lease(s) in the prescribed Annexures I & II under Rules/Act.
 - ii) affidavit(s) dated 23-6-2000 duly signed by the lessee/attorney to abide by the provisions of Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957, Mineral Concession Rules, 1960, Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 1988 and Mining Leases (Modification of Terms) Rules, 1956 and other provisions applicable and as amended from time to time by the Central Government in respect of his aforesaid lease(s).
 - However, no representative of State Government (Lessor) was present on the date of hearing.
- 5. I have given my careful consideration to the above objections/plea advanced by the lessee and, in my view, they have got no force on the basis of my finding given hereunder:
 - i) that the contention of the lessee(s) is not maintainable that the modification of area is likely to negate the decision that may be arrived by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the SLP wherein Ad interim order was passed on 2-3-98. The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Ad interim order dated 2-3-98 has permitted the appellants to carry on mining operations and mining business in the mining area for which renewal applications have been made on the condition that the appellants shall pay to the respondents from the date of commencement of the impugned

- Act all the amount of dead rent, royalty as now stipulated by the respondents under the impugned Act without prejudice and under protest. The appellants will also comply with all other conditions. As regards the period from 1961 till the coming into force of the impugned Act, it will be opened to the respondents to take proceedings from assessment of the amount , payable by the appellants but no recovery shall be made without further order from the court. Thus, there is no restraint put by the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for control of modification of terms of the existing mining lease(s) to bring in conformity with the terms of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 and the rules made thereunder. Accordingly, the area may be modified without affecting the area under active mining operations.
- ii) that the contention of the lessee(s) is not maintainable that the provisions of Section 16 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 is inconsistent with the provisions of Section 5 of Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987, therefore, provisions of the Section 16 of Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 do not apply to the deemed lease(s) of Goa. The above Acts are consistent & Section 16 of Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 made applicable to all lease(s) of Goa State vide Government notification w.e.f. 15th January, 1966. However, the period of the lease(s) is not changed as the same is already modified as per the provisions of the Goa, Daman & Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987.
- 6. As stated above, vide Government of Goa notifications dated 30th September, 1963 and 4th January, 1966, the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957 became applicable to Goa w.e.f. 1st October, 1963 and the Section 16 of the said Act was made applicable to Goa w.e.f. 15th January, 1966 which confers powers to Controller of Mining Leases for modification of mining lease(s) of Goa under Section 16 of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957. Keeping in view of the provisions of the Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957, Goa, Daman and Diu Mining Concessions (Abolition and Declaration as Mining Leases) Act, 1987 and the rules made hereunder, modification of the lease(s) is made.

Order passed accordingly.

C. P. Ambesh, Controller of Mining Leases for India. Nagpur, dated 28th July, 2000.